

Parkinson Plus Syndrome

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A 65-year-old patient from France, suffering from Parkinson's plus syndrome, a neurodegenerative disorder with limited surgical options, has undergone a high cervical spinal cord stimulation in a private hospital in Bengaluru.



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About Parkinson Plus Syndrome(PPS):

- PPS, also called **atypical parkinsonism**, refers to a **group of neurodegenerative movement disorders** that **resemble idiopathic Parkinson's disease (PD)** with **certain distinguishing clinical and pathophysiological features**.
 - Idiopathic means having an **unknown cause** or mechanism of apparent spontaneous origin.
- **Distinctive features of PPS** include **early-onset dementia, hallucinations, dysautonomia, gaze palsy, myoclonus, pyramidal tract signs, and alien limb phenomenon**.
- **Common PPS conditions** include **Lewy body dementia (LBD), multiple system atrophy (MSA), corticobasal degeneration (CBD), and progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP)**.

About Parkinson's disease:

- Parkinson's disease (PD) is a **chronic brain disorder** that **affects the nervous system and parts of the body controlled by nerves**.
- It causes **problems with movement**, mental health, sleep, pain, and other health issues.
- Primary symptoms include **apraxia, rigidity, bradykinesia, tremor, and postural instability**.
- PD gets worse over time and **there is no cure**, but therapies and medicines can reduce symptoms.